

HOUSE BILL 1381  
By Cochran

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, Chapter 26, relative to medical malpractice.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-26-119, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding the following language to be designated as subsection (b):

(b) In any medical malpractice action, any punitive damages awarded to the injured plaintiff shall not exceed two million dollars (\$2,000,000).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.